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The Prices of Health Care in the US vs. Canada

Health care is a field that deals with care and diagnosis of diseases and provides methods of disease prevention, as well as providing health care at the time needed. Healthcare is presented everywhere nowadays, but the estimated level of healthcare provided from one country to another is different. The health care in the united state is different from Canada because each country has a special system applied in the country. The economy plays a big role on health care system in both countries the united state and Canada since it controls the rise of the cost of taxes, health care expenses such as the health insurances, and the rise or cuts of salaries. It also is the base of the health care system. Canada’s health care is provided through taxpayers, while The United State’s health care is provided through individual’s own payment. This puts a high coast on Americans who not only pay tax but also pay for health insurance. Leading American having no health insurance. Another issue that stems from the economy crises in the United States is the high demands that insurance company ask from citizens in order to give them health insurance. They must have a passing health level to insure their acceptance of health insurance. Finally the low economy led to cutting costs of doctor’s salary, cutting workers, and cutting the availability of medical machines. This leading Citizen for not being able to meet a doctor in times of emergency.

Poor people in Canada are not negatively affected by the economy, such as the poor people in the united state. Where the poor people in united state face a lot of problems because of the system where they should pay both for the government taxes and for the health insurance so this system affects the poor people in the united state. For example for the situation of poor people in the united state the city called Alabama, where as a results “more than 55.9% of Alabama residents were medically disenfranchised” (Wexler 9). The economy also plays a big role in which each citizen has health insurance. Where the result of that is there are “Unserved Americans in every state, with the highest concentrations in Florida, Texas, and California” (Wexler 9). On

the other hand the poor people in Canada are not affected as much as the poor people in the united state because the system in Canada is different which is not required from the citizens to pay for the health insurants, where the government provide it for their citizens without paying for it, Canadians are only obligated to pay for taxes. This tax is only taken and calculated depending on a person’s salary there for if a person makes low wage only a small percentage is taken from it to pay for the tax and his or her health insurance is simply provided.

The economy has a major role in deciding who has health insurance. It also plays a role in people’s decision for pursuing the health care majors, which in return plays a role in doctors, nurse’s salary as well as the cost of the equipments, which is provided in hospitals. Low paid areas of professions means low rate of workers. Less people in role in health care majors due to the low paid salary. Special needed equipments are not provided for hospitals that assist in help curing a person. The cost of one MRI machine is approximately the coast of a doctor’s yearly salary. This means either cuts of working doctors and surgeons, cut in their salary or cuts in providing these machines. It’s a circle that affects the health care industry as well as the citizens. So people with health insurance or people with no health insurance are still suffering from this down fall of the economy. Low economy means higher health insurance, which lead to lower rates of people with health insurance, as they cannot afford it in this bad time. Looking at Canada, as they don’t pay for health insurance forward they do not suffer from this crises. They basically have to pay for government taxes that they pay for their health insurance.

With the downfall of the economy of the United States, Americans have less people working in health care fields, as well as high costing health care insurance. Canada is not affected by the economy as it was mentioned, but today, Canada has a problem with shortage of health care workers. This is because more and more female physicians are working in the health field industry. A study was concluded that, “ 52 % of doctors under the age of 35 are now women.” (Gulli, Lunau, par 4) Female doctors

demand less hours working due to family responsibilities. Thus, Canadian’s health care is met at the time they need it. This is the problem Canadians are suffering from.

Paying for health care is already hard enough on citizens of the United States, but now they have a hard time trying to get one because health insurance companies don’t want to lose money by simply accepting anyone. Americans have to be in a certain age range and with good health records to qualify for the insurance. This makes it difficult for citizens to apply and get accepted in the health care insurance company. A person has to be healthy in order to have health insurance. And it is well known the Americans are known for having a high rate of obesity that leads to high blood pressure, diabetes as well as future surgeries. It’s hard for the people who have a lot of health problem to get health care insurance. On the other hand, Canadians are given health care insurance as long as they are paying for their taxes no questions asked. No investigation and no requirements. American health care insurances have these laws so they are not losing money due to the low economy.

In conclusion, Canadians have better health care than the united state. Health system in Canada provides psychological comfort more than the united state because in the united state is difficult for citizens to use health care because of the requirements but on the other hand in Canada is much easier, leading to the psychological comfort of the citizen for the use of facilities in the health system.